Suspending limitations on conference committee jurisdiction, H.B. No. 2424

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SENATE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, That the Senate Rule 12.03 be suspended in part as provided by Senate Rule 12.08 to enable the conference committee appointed to resolve the differences on House Bill No. 2424, relating to technical changes to taxes and fees administered by the comptroller and providing penalties, to consider and take action on the following matter:

(1) Senate Rule 12.03(2) is suspended to permit the committee to omit text that amends Sections 153.013(a), 153.117, 153.120, 153.205 as amended by Chapters 1263 and 1444, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, 153.208(d), 153.219(c), 153.222(a), 153.223, and 153.403, Tax Code, to impose certain administrative requirements on certain users and suppliers of motor fuels.

Explanation: This omission is necessary to conform to the repeal of Chapter 153, Tax Code, and the adoption of new Chapter 162, Tax Code, by H.B. No. 2458, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003.

(2) Senate Rule 12.03(4) is suspended to permit the committee to add SECTION 105 to the bill to read as follows:

SECTION 105. Contingent on H.B. No. 2458, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, being enacted and becoming law, and effective January 1, 2004, Sections 162.405(a) and (d), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:

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(a) An offense under Section 162.403(1), (2), (3), (4),
(5), (6), [(7),] or (8) is a Class C misdemeanor.

(d) An offense under Section 162.403(7), (22), (23), (24), (25), (26), (27), (28), or (29) is a felony of the third degree.

Explanation: This addition is necessary to ensure that an offense under Section 162.403(7), Tax Code, as added by H.B. No. 2458, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, is classified in accordance with the severity of the offense.

(3) Senate Rule 12.03(4) is suspended to permit the committee to add SECTION 107 to the bill to read as follows:

SECTION 107. (a) Section 141.008(a-1), Local Government Code, as added by H.B. No. 2425, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, is repealed.

(b) If H.B. No. 2425, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, does not become law, this section has no effect.

Explanation: This addition is necessary to eliminate a requirement that municipalities make certain payroll deductions for municipal employees.

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 1, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate